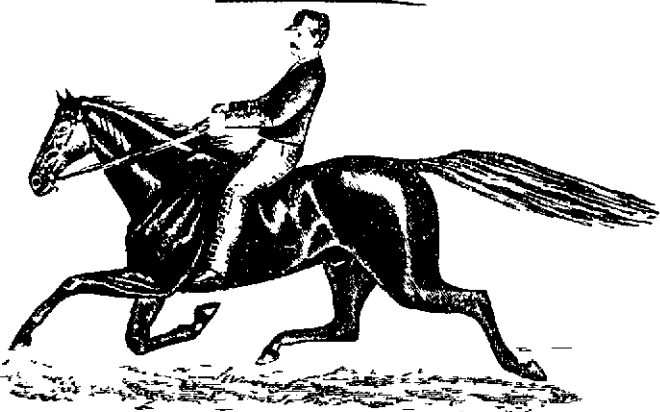


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We have just received a large invoice of **EXTRA FINE OVERCOATS** for the Holiday Trade, including Fur Cape Overcoats, Ulsters and Box Overcoats, in silk-lined Korseys, Cheviots, Meltons, Shetlands, Chinchillas, &c.

Special Prices will be made on our Immense Stock of Boys' and Children's Overcoats, from \$1.25 up to the most made. Our stock of Business and Dress Suits cannot be excelled. We carry an extra full line of Prince Albert Suits, in Diagonals, Corkscrew and Wide Wale Worsted.

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Look for the million in all colors, styles and shapes. Mothers' and Children's Cashmere in all the delicate effects. On gold and silver lace. Silk Umbrellas down them all. We sell more than any house in the city and at prices from 20 to 25 percent cheaper. We are large jobbers in this line and thereby able to make close prices. Fancy border and Plain White Handkerchiefs in linen, silk, pongee. Special line of Dress Embroidered Pongee Handkerchiefs. We have just received a choice lot of Gents' Silk Smoking Jackets, in all colors. Seal Caps. Fur lined and Unlined Gloves in endless varieties. Black Silk Handkerchiefs, Black Black Silk Mittens and Hosiery, Black Four in Hand Dress Studs, Cuff Buttons, and all the Latest Novelties. Being the **LEADING MERCHANT TAILORS** we have a stock of **FINE CLOTHS**.

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10-12 Bleached Table Sets—Fringed	\$1.75 each
12-12 Bleached Table Sets—Fringed	\$2.00 each
12-12 Bleached Table Sets—Fringed	\$2.25 each
12-12 Bleached Table Sets—Fringed	\$2.50 each
12-12 Bleached Table Sets—Fringed	\$2.75 each
12-12 Bleached Table Sets—Fringed	\$3.00 each

Line of Napkins, Towels, and everything pertaining to a First-Class Department—All New, Bright and Attractive in Price and Style.

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Just glance into our window and see if we have something you want for Christmas. If nothing in the window suits step inside and we will be pleased to show you a nice, clean and well-assorted stock of **HOLIDAY GOODS**.

KING & WOOD
Druggists

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

OUR PAVED STREETS

Brick Material and How It is Used in Decatur

Decatur has more miles of streets paved with brick than any other city in the West and each year we are learning better how to properly construct them. Where the streets have been made of good material in the right way there has been no complaint whatever. The past year the streets that were paved were well built, as were nearly all of those made in former years.

THE POINTS

The following points in favor of brick for street paving are suggested:

First. It fulfills the requirements, smoothness, elasticity and resistance to heavy loads.

Second. The material is abundant.

Third. The brick may be made at home with home labor.

Fourth. The pavement is durable, is easily repaired and is less expensive than others.

CONSTRUCTION

The roads should be thoroughly drained. A drainage system is essential to the success of any pavement. It should also be rounded so that the surface water will flow freely to the drains. After the road is prepared there are several things to be done in the brick laying.

First. A layer of coarse sand 4 inches thick is spread and packed down. A layer of brick is laid flat and together with the street then a layer of sand 1 inch thick. After this a layer of brick is placed on edge and at right angles to the first layer. Upon this sufficient sand is spread to fill the cracks.

The first and second layers of brick are not only tamped, but before the last layer of sand is put on, the whole surface is rolled with a heavy roller. This is the way the work is done in Decatur.

Good Roads

Prof. Jenks says: On Illinois roads a full load for a two horse team can be carried for three months of the year, two-thirds of a load for three months and half a load for six. The Illinois roads cost \$15,000,000 per year in extra hauling and reduce the value of farms at a distance from railway depots by \$100,000,000. If Illinois spent \$250,000,000 on good roads the total interest on this sum would still leave enough of the sum now spent on hauling to build a new state capitol every year, to say nothing of the nervous wear and tear and the prismatic profanity in laced by country roads when the frost is going out.

Good roads would save the state its state taxes every year, and the labor misdirected and wasted on roads now would go far making good highways.

From General Pleasanton

Messrs J. & C. Mearns, St. Louis, Mo. I had your Denno Plant an excellent remedy for complaints of the bowels such as Cholera, Diarrhea, Dysentery, etc. and cheerfully commend it.

A Pleasanton Major General

Letter List

Advertiser letters remaining in the Post Office December 11: 1. Keller Frank

2. Miller John

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He Guarded Jeff Davis

In the summer of 1863, in the latter part of May, Jeff Davis, who had been captured in Georgia, was taken to Fort Monroe. At that time there were four companies of the 152d Pennsylvania in the fort and they were assigned to the duty of guarding Davis. Among the number was our citizen, Mr. William Bach. One night when Mr. Bach was marching up and down in front of the cell in which Davis was confined, the latter complained of the noise and requested Mr. Bach to desist from walking. The request was made in a polite manner and the obliging German soldier got a chair and placing it in front of the cell sat down and watched the fallen chief sink into the arms of Morpheus. Mr. Bach remembers many incidents of the time, such as Davis' refusal of ordinary rations, his anger at certain orders, etc.—*Bloomington Pantagraph*.

A Roll of Paper 14 Miles Long

One of the curiosities of the Pittsburg exposition is a monster roll of paper in the exhibit of Harrie Brothers, paper manufacturers and dealers. The paper is 36 inches wide, 14 miles long, and weighs 2,654 pounds. This mammoth bundle of paper is unbroken and without a hole. It is said to be the largest sheet ever turned out of any mill. The roll has been named "The Jumbo," and when it was being removed from the station to the exposition it required the efforts of twelve strong men to put it in the wagon.

It will surprise a great many persons to know that it does little good to mark "confidential" or "personal" on a letter to a great man. The Private Secretary of a man of national importance says that if a letter should come to his employer marked, "On no account to be opened by the Private Secretary," he might hesitate for a moment, but after that he would open it. I would do that he said, because it would occur to me that this is what I am paid for. Originally before the pestering of public men by letters became such an art as it is we opened all ordinary letters and gave the great men only those that were marked personal. But these were a few volumes until, if he opened them all there would be time for nothing else. As for as I know, all other Private Secretaries now follow the same rule.

The Tendency Towards Democracy

Lord Salisbury is understood by the authorities of the city of London to have given a kind of pledge in his speech at the recent Lord Mayor's dinner that the city's institutions, already seven centuries old, are not to be meddled with. Nothing is however more certain, says a correspondent, than that they must be and will be. Lord Salisbury is himself the head of that government which has swept away municipal institutions all over the country and replaced them by new institutions with a democratic basis in lieu of the old aristocratic basis.

A Safe Investment.

Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Druggist a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case, when used for any affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as Consumption, Inflammation of Lungs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe and can always be depended upon. Trial bottles at Dr. A. J. Stoner's Drug Store.

Walter Hutchins Shoe Store

Our trade for the Fall and Winter season of 1889 has opened with a rush. The popularity of Walter Hutchins has gained through the extra values continually given has brought us increased patronage. Our aim is strictly reliable goods, low prices, faithful representation. Our fine shoes for gentlemen, ladies, misses and children, are justly celebrated for style, finish and superior fitting quality, are fashionable, durable and comfortable. Made from selected stock they excel in being serviceable, easy to wear and handsome. Our fine shoes for ladies run from A to F in widths. We also have a first class cutter on custom measures and guarantee a perfect fit. No matter how irregular the shape of foot, on work for crippled feet we have no equal. Our success in this department is shown by the large increase on custom measures. Repairing a specialty. Look for Big Shoe in front of store.

WALTER HUTCHINS,
Nov 5 1889 117 North Water St.

Feather Renovating.

Our feather renovating by the Cox Brothers Chamberlain & Co. 170 North Water Street.



This is a pure and perfect product. It is made from the finest quality of pure wheat flour and is not adulterated with any other ingredients. It is the only baking powder that is pure and perfect. It is the only baking powder that is made from the finest quality of pure wheat flour and is not adulterated with any other ingredients. It is the only baking powder that is pure and perfect. It is the only baking powder that is made from the finest quality of pure wheat flour and is not adulterated with any other ingredients.

B. STINE,

The Boss Clothier.

We have eclipsed all previous efforts in the 23 years' experience of our successful career in the clothing business, in placing before the public for this Fall and Winter

THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE LINE

NEW FALL AND WINTER

CLOTHING

EVER SHOWN IN DECATUR.

Our Men's, Young Men's

—AND—
BOYS' SUITS

Will be distinguished from ordinary ready-made clothing, not only by the superior fit, style and finish, so long noticeable in our garments, but also by the **EXTREME LOW PRICES** we ask for superior made goods.

Decatur's Leading Clothier,

B. STINE.

Bradley Bros.

ART and FANCY GOODS Department.

This Week We Show the Following:

Chamois Hand Painted Glove, Handkerchief, Collar and Cuff Cases.

Satin Hand Painted Glove and Handkerchief Cases.

Satin Hand Painted Sachet Bags.

Fancy Hand Painted Bolting Cloth Throws.

Silk and Brass Banner Rods.

Fancy Silk Fringes of all kinds.

Fancy Cords in all the Newest Shades.

Immense variety of Fancy Ornaments, Pon-pons, Crochet Tassels, etc.

Fancy Painted Plushes, Balsam Fir Pillows, Down Head Rests.

Stamped Goods, Tidies, Scarfs, Splashes, Tray Cloths, Doylies and Painted Bolton Table Covers.

Linen Strims, Etching, Wash and Knitting Silks, Arasene, Ribbosene, Silk and Linen Floss, Rope Linen and Rope Silks, Chemise Appliques, Uncovered Pin-Cushions and Pin-Cushion Covers.

BRADLEY BROS.

New York Store,

Corner of Water and William Streets

Agents for the Jouvin Kid Gloves

LOCAL NEWS.

The jolly "Two Johns" will appear before the footlights to-night.

CALL for the Grand Opera House 5 cent cigar. 23-dtf

A DAUGHTER of Constable Dillehunt has been seriously ill for several days.

The Grand Opera House cigar is a general favorite. Try it. 23-dtf

An excellent programme will be rendered at the reception Thursday evening in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A.

DANCING will be the diversion at the Calumet Club rooms to-morrow night, not cards. It will be "ladies' night," and there will be a large attendance.

MILD, soothing and healing is Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

The welcome home reception to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Simpson will take place this evening.

THE U. S. Folding Flexible Steel Wire Door Mat is the best in the market. Sold exclusively at 7-46

AMEL'S CARPET HOUSE.

JUDITH HUGHES will visit Decatur on Saturday. He will hold a levee in the court room for the special benefit of Harris, the forger, who will be resented to Joliet for a term of six years on the verdict of the jury.

Use the telephone and tell Niedermeyer to send you groceries and fruits from his store on the mound.

Last evening one of Dimock's hacks came to grief on Main street, west of Lincoln Square. The front axle gave way. Nobody hurt.

HALMA, the new popular game; it is taking like wild fire all over the country. For sale at J. E. Saxton's Book Store. dec7-d2w

ONE of the attractive features at the office of Squire Foster is a lifelike portrait of Patti which adorns the wall in the rear room where D. A. Barrackman has his office.

You can get your choice of 200 different patterns of fresh goods at Mulendy & Son's. 14-dtf

STREET COMMISSIONER ALEXANDER is making a decided improvement on Pack and street. He has graded the street and alleys and has put down walks.

WHITE FLOUR is on sale at all leading grocery stores. Try it.

JR-VICE HAMMER fined Frankie Brown \$3 and costs yesterday afternoon for disorderly conduct. Paid.

MATHEMATICAL GAME, both amusing and instructive, it teaches multiplication, addition and subtraction. For sale at J. E. Saxton's Book Store. dec7-d2w

WINTER got on a tear last night and ushered in a cold wave which reduced the temperature to 36 degrees, and a fall of 24 degrees in 18 hours. Clear and cool this morning.

DECATUR Nut Coal, double-screened, at \$1.50 per ton, delivered to any part of town. nov7-dtf

Don't forget that Carmichael's home-made candy is the boss. His candy and fruit store is on South Main street.

If you want to get net choice, call up E. A. Wilson, Springfield, Ill., telephone 345, for one of his \$80.00 lots—\$2.50 cash, 50 cents a week. Now is the time.

You can always get what you want for the table at Moore Bros' grocery store.

It only costs \$1.50 per ton delivered at your door, that superb Decatur nut coal. Nov. 7-dtf

PERFECT photos and cabinet cards at Den Chamberlain's gallery.

NO MORE useful Christmas present can be given than a Merritt Typewriter—\$15. Office in Library block on William street. dec5-daw1no

J. E. Saxton's book store is headquarters for teachers' bibles. He bought a very large stock for the holiday trade, but his prices were so low that he has had to duplicate his orders. A new lot just in of those beautiful India paper bibles. d72w

W. A. COMES' Restaurant.

LAST night an audience of fair size greeted Mr. Joe Murphy in "The Donagh" at the Grand. It was a domestic drama of tragedy, love and fun, spiced with the singing and dancing of Mr. Murphy and embellished with picturesque views of scenery in Ireland. Mr. Sheridan Tupper, a Decatur boy, who remembered the REPUBLICAN with a call last evening, is with the Murphy company, and he was given an enthusiastic greeting as he came upon the stage in the role of Mr. McBride, the distinguished Irish gentleman, a character he personated in a capital manner. It is not a part that gives Sherry opportunity to display his talents as an actor, but it is a character of importance and dignity.

WHAT better thing could you do for your boy or girl for a Christmas present than to get one of E. A. Wilson's \$80.00 lots in Springfield. \$2.50 cash, and 50 cents a week. dec2-dtf

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Lowest Rates,

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FARM AND CITY PROPERTY.

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BANKERS,

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Sept 2-dw:

TWO LOCAL CHANGES.

N. L. Krone in the Coal Office—T. A. Bone at the Mill.

On Monday next Mr. N. L. Krone, who has been a pharmacist for a period of 37 years, will give up his position at King & Wood's drug store, and enter the employ of the Decatur Coal company, as a bookkeeper in their office on Broadway, at the new shaft.

Mr. Thomas A. Bone, whose place in the coal office Mr. Krone assumes, will enter the office of the Hatfield Mill company, not far away.

E. W. Wood and John E. King are both experienced pharmacists, and consequently they will be able to handle all business that comes their way at the drug store. Mr. Wood, who it will be remembered, has disposed of his interest in the confectionery to his brother, will devote his attention to the drug business.

Meeting of Insurance Agents.

A consultation meeting of special agents for various fire insurance companies from different portions of the state was held at the St. Nicholas hotel to-day. One agent said the business was not of public interest, simply a gathering for comparison of notes. Among the gentlemen present were T. L. Spangenberg, of Buckner Hill, Milwaukee Mechanics; N. S. Sickkama, of Freeport, German Fire Ins. Co.; J. B. Wharton, of Jacksonville; L. S. McMullan, of Chicago, Niagara Ins. Co.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Henry Mueller is in Chicago.

D. B. Goodrich, of Chicago, was here to-day.

P. H. Brueck went to Bement this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kramer are visiting at Walton, Ill.

Tom Smith, of Mt. Zion, was in the city last evening.

William Judy, of Edwardsville, is in the city visiting Dr. T. B. Spalding.

Miss Mary Roby will leave for Chicago to-morrow morning to hear Patti sing.

IL F. Houghton, chief train dispatcher for the Wabash, is in Cincinnati on business.

Mrs. M. F. Magill and son, H. F. Magill, of Clinton, are visiting Mrs. O. B. Gorin.

Mrs. W. E. Haworth will depart for Chicago to-morrow morning on a visit to relatives.

H. W. Sherwood, who has been at Springfield on business, returned to the city yesterday.

Charles and Watt Robbins, of Chicago, have been in the city several days, guests at the St. Nicholas.

Mrs. James M. Spargur, of Blue Mound, is in the city visiting Supervisor D. L. Hughes and family.

Ed. Ewing was in the city last evening. His brother, Percy, returned to Evanson with him on the midnight train.

Col. and Mrs. D. H. Conklin departed this morning for Chicago, where they will visit several days and hear Patti sing.

Miss Lettie Keller, of Farmer City, who has been the guest of Miss Cora Renshaw at her home northeast of the city, returned home this morning.

Mrs. Edward Homes, who has been ill at her home, 513 North Morgan street, for several months, departed yesterday for Saylor Springs, Ill., for the benefit of her health.

Mrs. J. M. McDonald, who has been visiting Mrs. Thomas Hamilton, who has been very ill at her home in the northern part of the city, returned to her home in Canaan this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. James Glazebrook and Will Glazebrook returned last evening from Arthur, where they visited Mrs. Thomas Webb, Mr. Glazebrook's sister, who is seriously ill with asthma.

Hon. Thomas B. Needles, of Nashville, Ill., who is at present United States Marshal for Oklahoma, passed through the city this morning en route for Washington City by way of Chicago. He was state auditor under the administrations of Cullom and Hamilton and has served a term in the senate. He says the territory is booming, almost too fast for the best, and that the Indians are getting very scarce; what there is of them having settled down to the natural pursuits of life. He reports the weather fine and plenty of grain, but adds that the law prohibits their destruction, except by permission from the authorities.

The statement that George Schwartz is confined at the hospital was a mistake. He is receiving every careful attention by Samuel Miller and family.

CHICAGO citizens demand a new system of drainage. Blood-birds eradicate all blood diseases, strengthen the system, promotes digestion and renders existence enjoyable.

Come to the "Standard" office in Library block on William street, and see how quick and nice it will make a button-hole.

Geo. W. EMBERT & Co., headquarters for all kinds of fruits, will receive next Saturday another car load of fine Florida oranges; also a car load of Bluefield bananas.

EXCERPTS Diaries for 1890 now read at the City Book Store. J. H. Bevins. d3-dw1w

W. A. COMES' Restaurant.

As no investment is cheaper than that made for education, 'tis the duty of parents to unite instruction with pleasure, if possible. Teach boys and girls how to use the Merritt Typewriter, and thus become highly proficient in spelling and punctuation. dec5-daw1no

SWIFT BODY and Portland Sleighs and Bobsleds for sale at 230-Jaw6w SPENCER & LEHMAN CO.

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Looking for a Stolen Horse. Marshal Beamer, of Attica, Ind., and Mr. Jones, of the same place, were in the city to-day looking for a horse that had been stolen from Mr. Jones' out 10 days ago. Mr. Jones lost two horses. One was found recently near St. Joseph, in Champagne county. Marshal Beamer consulted Marshal Mason. He thinks the horse tarred loose near Walker Station may be one of the stolen animals.

The Trotting Club.

The business meeting of the Decatur Trotting Association will be held at the St. Nicholas Hotel to-morrow evening when officers will be elected and other organization matters will receive attention. The capital of the association is \$11,000, and ample funds are at hand to offer handsome premiums and meet all expenses. It will have one of the best half mile tracks in the west, the amphitheatre will be a beauty and every thing will be in first-class shape. The park selected is the Brenneau ground north of the city, at the right of Water street, near the W. T. Downing residence. It is not likely that the Decatur Association will be able to announce a trotting meeting until next fall.

THE MARITAL KNOT.

Two Souls With But a Single Thought Made Happy To-Day.

There was an absence of the sweet fragrance of orange blossoms, and there was no one to play the stately Mendelssohn wedding march, but there was a happy wedding just the same in Judge Nelson's office at the county building between 11 and 12 o'clock to-day, and to-night there will be a marriage celebration at the home of the couple in Christian county. The contracting couple were John H. Bilyeu, a young farmer of 27, and Miss Emma B. Garrett, of Blue Mound, an au-burn-haired young lady who will be 17 next birthday. The other day this couple was refused a license to mate because of the fact that Emma had not yet reached the 18th milestone in the journey of life; but the consent of the father was secured without trouble, and he was in the office in person to acquiesce to the alliance. Then Judge Nelson united the pair with due solemnity and the wedding party, which numbered six persons, left the county building in a body to partake of the marriage feast. The fair bride was attired in becoming bridal robes, and the groom gave evidence of the joy that filled his heart, depicted in his countenance and by his buoyant spirits.

Musical.

Mrs. Mary S. Conell gave a soiree musicale at her home last evening. It was one of the most enjoyable musicales ever given here. The parlors were tastefully decorated with roses, violets and growing plants. Quite an elaborate programme was given by the following persons: Miss Edie Brown, Miss Berry, Arthur Alexander, Misses Sarah and Louie Boyd, Miss Cordell and others. Delicious refreshments were served. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Hosteller, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ennis, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. L. Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maris, Mrs. Dr. Roberts, Mrs. Boyd of Virginia, Mrs. W. J. Conell, Misses Jennie Wells, Maud Burrows, Alice Roberts, Sarah and Louie Boyd, Edie Brown, Anna Berry, and Messrs. Ed and Frank Powers, Will and Robert Ennis, James Roberts, Olof Bull, Arthur Alexander and Walter Boyd.

Sales of Real Estate.

John K. Warren and B. K. Durfee to Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church, Decatur, deed to lot 1 of Warren & Durfee's 6th addition—\$350.

James F. Holiday to Parke Hammer, deed to lot 5, in R. S. Evans' 2d subdivision of part of the northwest quarter of section 15, 16, 2 east—\$2,000.

Charles Rehling to Jeremiah Hartwell, lot 10, block 7, of B. H. Cassell's addition, on East Wood street; \$850.

H. M. Willard to Thomas A. Pritchett, lot 13, block 1, of P. H. Brueck's addition, on Decatur street; \$1,000.

John F. Roberts to Marion Fisk, a small piece of land in 15, 3 east, in Mt. Zion township; \$300.

D. A. Barrackman, to Charles A. Williams, quit claim to the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of 25, 16, 2 east, in Decatur township; \$3,000.

Jeremiah Hartwell to Jokelem Rehling, quit claim to lot 9, block 7, of B. H. Cassell's addition, on East Wood street; \$1.

Smart Man to Make a Fool.

The old saying that it takes a smart man to be a fool, is musty with repetition. This applied to eccentric George Wilson, must convince all who heard him last evening that he is a very brilliant man.

His conversation or gossip, as you may term it, was droll and ridiculous, and while he was on the stage the audience was in a continual roar. Wilson never appeared to better advantage, or gave better satisfaction in Grand Rapids, than as did last evening—in case of a strike in the company he can go on and give the whole show. No one would demand their money back. The audience recalled him last evening until he was tired out.

Exchange.

This great company of burnt-cork comedians will be with us one night only—Friday evening next.

PROF. J. HARRY WHEELER, of Boston teacher of Vocal Culture in the New England Conservatory of Music for thirteen years, will receive pupils at his studio, No. 75 Auditorium Building, Chicago. Mrs. S. B. Oakes, Miss Harrison and Miss Edwards were pupils of Prof. Wheeler. dec10-d8

A New Year's Dinner.

The ladies of the First M. E. church will serve dinner on New Year's day in the lecture room of the church. dec10-d2t

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DEATH OF MRS. MINNIE PARKER.

A Daughter of Dr. B. F. Sibley Dies Suddenly at Indianapolis.

Soon after reaching his office this morning a telegram was placed in the hands of Dr. B. F. Sibley, stating briefly that his daughter, Mrs. Minnie Parker, had died suddenly at Indianapolis, Ind., last night. The sad message contained no particulars, only the statement of the death. The Doctor left for Indianapolis on the first train, and will bring the body to Decatur to-morrow afternoon.

The deceased was about 35 years of age, and had been visiting Mrs. Curry, aunt of Mrs. William Sibley, of this city. Mrs. Parker was troubled with heart disease.

She had been married twice, but had made her home in Decatur with her parents during the past two years.

Death of Dora Bushert.

Little Dora Bushert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bushert, aged 5 years, died last evening at the family home, No. 418 West Wood street, after several days of suffering. Death was the result of the shocking injuries inflicted by a fall off the iron railing in front of the Z. W. Harris residence.

The body will be taken to Macon on Thursday forenoon for interment.

Died at Springfield.

John Stoddle, the aged coach carpenter in the Wabash shops who suffered a severe hemorrhage of the lungs several weeks ago, died last night at the Wabash hospital in Springfield. The remains will probably be shipped to Toledo for interment, as he has two married daughters living in that city.

MORE to be desired than fine gold are the beautiful Carpets, Matting, Rugs, Wire Mats, Parkmans and Lace Curtains, at the price at which you can buy them at AMER'S. nov29-daw1

Little Lord Fauntleroy.

A little sight, a wee, fair face,
With not a passing shadow trace
A picture of sweet childish grace,
Is Little Lord Fauntleroy.

A happy hearted little lad,
Life holds for him no moments sad,
But all is gay and bright and glad,
To Little Lord Fauntleroy.

A soft, loyal little knight,
His "dearest" is his heart's delight;
His star of hope through sorrow's night,
Is Little Lord Fauntleroy.

She holds him closely to her breast,
His clinging arms around her pressed,
Until they fall in peaceful rest,
Dear Little Lord Fauntleroy.

A young fellow in search of a house to rent wandered into Randolph & Gher's office yesterday afternoon, and asked the clerk in charge if a certain house could be had. He was told that the house was occupied, and perhaps would be for some time to come. The young gent then asked: "Well, say; what does the word 'Leffingwell' mean then, for rent, or for sale?" The clerk was somewhat astonished, but succeeded in convincing the young fellow before he left as to the real significance of the sign.

A Court Incident.

There was an exciting scene in the court room at Bloomington yesterday, the occasion of an inquiry into the sanity of Simeon Davis, a citizen of that city. Davis' brother was the complaining witness, and during the investigation he became suddenly and violently insane, and four strong men were required to restrain him and take him to jail. Simeon Davis was found insane and sent to Kankakee.

Table Delicacies.

Fine Wines and Liquors, Table Delicacies, and Decatur Brewing Co.'s Extra Fine Caskemmed Bottled Beer, Vacuum and Cincinnati; also Pilsner Bottled Beer. Orders by mail promptly filled. Goods sold in any quantity, and delivered to any part of the city.

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On Sunday, December 8, at 8 o'clock, by Rev. A. Willard, at the home of the bride, Miss Maud, Albert A. Baker, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Dora B. House, of Blue Mound.

REMARKS ETCHINGS, new and choice subjects just received at J. E. Saxton's Book Store. dec7-d2w

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A high grade Piano at a fair price; EQUAL TO ANY, SURPASSED BY NONE
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Of all kind, suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, all sold at their real value.

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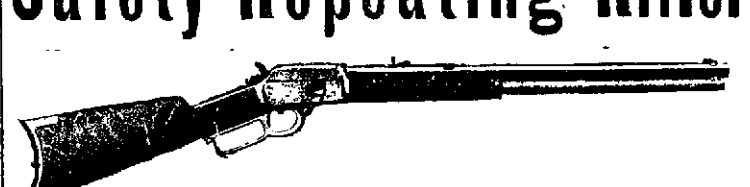
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Cartridges made for Colt's Lightning or Winchester 1873 can be used.

Solid Top. Side Ejecting.

Never Catches Rain or Snow. Never Throws Shells in Your Face.

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MEN'S CLOTHING, of Every
Desirable Kind, can be had
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Assortment Large,
NEW STYLES,
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Decatur's Leading One-Price Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers,
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Every Monday Mrs. Grunsky
Wished 'twas Sunday
And right here you see the cause.
When her basket
Showed her task, it
Looked too big for SANTA CLAUS.
But her mutter,
Changed to utter
Happiness of highest
grade.
Buy it Try it
None deny, it
Is the best SOAP ever made.

SANTA CLAUS SOAP
PHENOMENALLY
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A Little Disfigured —BUT— STILL IN THE RING!

Rumatix kind o' knocked us, but still we are able to
to show some of the LIVELIEST BARGAINS IN
CLOTHING to be found in Decatur, as the EN-
TIRE STOCK OF CLOTHING GOES,
REGARDLESS OF COST!

It is only a question of having goods to suit and sizes
to fit; you can buy at Your Own Price at the
WHITE FRONT.
Lovers of Fine Neckwear will find what they want at
the WHITE FRONT.
Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Mufflers, Gold-Mounted Um-
brellas—EVERYTHING suitable for a Holiday
Present for your friends.

CALL AND SEE US.

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EMBALMER
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Funeral Director
TABERNACLE BUILDING.
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DEPENDS ON THE VIEW

A Girl Whose Profile Was Beautiful, but
Whose Face Was Ugly.

"I have walked about the public
buildings in this city for a good many
years, and I have learned in that time
something about beauty," said a well-
known Washington correspondent to
a reporter last evening. "Did it ever
occur to you that a sitting posture is a
thousand times more attractive to
some people than when they stand,
while a beauty in profile is homeliness
itself when a front view is presented?"

"I knew a young lady employed in the
postoffice department by sight for
several years. I have seen her sitting
at her desk, bending over her work
month in and month out. Her profile
was a study, and with all my critical
tendency I never saw where an im-
provement could be made. She was
the quintessence of beauty, and passing
her door and seeing her sitting there
was one of the things that made the
journey pleasant. I met a friend one
day and asked him if he knew her. He
answered that he did, but when I
hinted that she was one of the most
beautiful ladies I had ever seen, he
only wanted to know where I had
been keeping myself. I spoke to sev-
eral people who had occasion to see
my goddess of beauty now and then
in transacting business with her office,
but from not one could I get any sym-
pathy in my admiration. Every one
said they could not imagine where I
could find anything beautiful to ad-
mire in that young lady."

"I began to think that I had been
the subject of an optical delusion, and
when I made my next pilgrimage by
her office door glanced in, and there
she sat, that profile that defied criti-
cism—standing out boldly, the ear per-
fect, and such a tasteful arrangement
of hair that would have made Venus
herself envious. There could be no
mistake. I said to myself that the
people about the postoffice department
were chumps, and nothing else. One
day as I walked down F street at
about 4 o'clock I noticed a young lady,
short of stature and homely of face,
fifteen feet from me, coming in the
opposite direction. There was nothing
about her that should attract my
attention except that she wore rather
a sour expression of countenance, and
walked in an ungraceful manner. As
she came alongside me I happened to
glance at her, and I will tell you I
was startled. There was that faultless
profile that had been the subject of my
admiration for so many months. I
looked back, the profile had passed,
and my delusion had gone."

"I have had many similar experi-
ences. A homely profile has devel-
oped into a beautiful face. A beauty
when frisking about with a tennis rac-
quet in her hand sobers down in ap-
pearance when quietly seated. A face
lovely in admiration might become
unattractive when in rest, and vice
versa. So, you see, that beauty is not
one of the exact sciences after all."

"Have you imparted this wisdom to
your wife?"
"My wife! Don't mention that
again. She thinks I go about think-
ing very hard about the specials I am
to send off during the evening."—
Washington Post.

It Was His Trick.

"Have we had any dishonest clerks
here in my time, and how do they se-
lect money letters?" said veteran Sam
Bowne, the superintendent of the New
York delivery, repeating the writer's
question.

"Well, I have been here a good
many years, and it would be strange
if no one of the kind had turned up
since I began, but I don't recall many.
The few I knew anything about had
methods of identification which were
peculiar tricks of their own."

"I remember one young suspect
whom I kept my eye on very closely.
One day I was watching him from my
box, as he assorted the mail on the
long table over there. No one was
by him. I noticed that occasionally
he would stop and scrutinize one of
the letters before him, and then he
would pick it up and smell it. Some-
times of the letters so treated he would
throw down again and go on with his
work. Others he would lay aside. I
was puzzled to know what he was up
to, when I saw him take the letters he
had laid away and stooping down
quickly place them in his shoe, which
he slipped into and out of with ease.
They were an old pair that had the
backs cut out, and which he used as
slippers around the office. I brought
the lad at once to my office and took
off his shoe. I found the bunch of
letters there."

"After he was convicted and sen-
tenced I went to him and said, 'Bob,
I am curious to know how you smelled
money through those envelopes.'"

"He put his thumb to his nose and
shook his fingers at me, replying as he
did so, 'That's my trick.'"—New York
Star.

Would Be Well Paid.

A wealthy cottager had been to see
the sheriff and got a ducking from a big
wave. He therefore started for home
on one of the terrible electric cars,
which the cottagers so bitterly oppose.
When the conductor came around he
fumbled in his pockets for money to
pay his fare, but in vain. The con-
ductor offered to pay the fare out of
his own pocket and trust his passenger
for repayment. The offer was accept-
ed, and the indebted party asked the
conductor where he could be found,
to which the reply was given that he
was either on the cars or at the car
house most of the time.

This did not satisfy him, and he
wanted to know where he lived, as he
said his benefactor should be well paid
for his trouble. And so he was, for
when he arrived home at breakfast
the next morning he found a nice, fat
letter awaiting him, and was greatly
surprised upon opening it, for folded
in a large sheet of paper, without a
word written on it, which gave the en-
velope a bulky appearance, there
rested a single nickel, the fare charged
on the cars. On the exterior of the
envelope was the name of the man for
whom the favor had been done.—Provi-
dence Journal.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

This invaluable remedy is one that ought to be in
every household. It will cure your Rheumatism, New-
rises, Sprains, Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Frost-bitten Feet
and Ears, Sore Throat and Sore Chest. If you have
Lame Back it will cure it. It penetrates to the seat
of the disease. It will cure Stiff Joints and contracted
muscles after all other remedies have failed. Those
who have been crippled for years have used Ballard's
Snow Liniment and thrown away their crutches and
been able to walk as well as ever. It will cure
Price, 50 cents.

Sold by John A. Swenmolen, Druggist

HENRY BROS. MAKE the largest loaves
of home made bread of any in the city.
bread delivered promptly anywhere it is
desired.

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HOLMES & CO.'S
High Grade
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ALL SIZES.

These garments are brought out to fill
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No others can compare with them in Tone or Appearance.
Don't buy before seeing them. PRICES WAY DOWN
TILL JAN. 1. If you want to make a handsome

CHRISTMAS PRESENT,

See my Guitars, Banjos, Violins, all sizes, Music Folios, Rolls,
Binders, Books and Sheet Music. Chicago houses may
be larger, but their stock is not finer. Have just
returned from selecting the finest Musical Mer-
chandise in the market. It will pay you to call.

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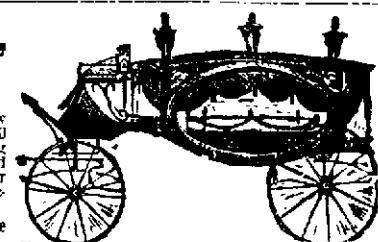
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Post Office Block, Decatur, Ill.

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J. B. BULLARD, FUNERAL DIRECTOR,

Has removed from the Old Square to his new
quarters, in MASONIC TEMPLE BLOCK, 250
N. Water Street, where everything pertaining
to the funeral business is furnished and attended
to in the highest style of the art. Calls night or
day, will receive prompt attention. In con-
nection, a receiving vault.
Residence—52 West William St. Residence
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IT IS JUST THREE WEEKS

Since the great closing out sale at our establishment began. In this sale we have made
lower prices than were ever offered in Decatur or any part of Central Illinois. The people
have known and appreciated the fact, and the consequence has been that

FERRISS & LAPHAM

Have averaged sales of over \$300 a day, or more than \$5,000 for this short time. We
know that this is a tremendous cash showing for a retail business, but we know better than
any one else that we have been selling goods at

FROM 40 TO 50 PER CENT LESS

than regular prices, and at about 20 per cent less than any retailer can buy them for. This
is one of the reasons why "every day is Sunday" for other shoe houses here. This is the
reason why other houses hate the name of Ferriss & Lapham and never lose an opportu-
nity to talk the firm down.

Notwithstanding this Wonderful Sale

We have plenty of goods in all sizes, all widths and styles. We are bound to have what
you want, else this great clearing out sale would not be successful. We are able to guar-
antee you that we have your size, and can thus assure you that we can save money for you
in your shoe purchases as we have saved money for your neighbors and friends.

There is Absolutely No Reserve in This Sale.

We close out everything in the house. Fine goods, staple goods, everything that an
ordinary firm would want to reserve in such sale, we are closing out. Everything goes.
We have about \$25,000 in this retail stock still. Can't quote prices on all of it, and give
you the following list only as an index to the hundreds of bargains which await you.

READ THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

	WORTH.	ONLY.		WORTH.	ONLY.
Men's Hand Sewed Shoes,	\$5.00	\$3.00	Ladies' Hand Turned and hand welt		
Men's Machine Sewed Shoes,	3.00	2.00	shoes, finest and best, worth \$5.00, at	2.50	
Men's Machine sewed Shoes,	2.00	1.40	Ladies' Dongola Shoes, worth	3.00, at	2.00
Men's Machine sewed Shoes,	1.50	1.00	Ladies' Dongola Shoes, worth	2.50, at	1.75
Men's Heavy Boots,	2.00	1.50	Ladies' Dongola Shoes, worth	2.00, at	1.25
Men's Kip Boots,	3.00	2.00	Ladies' Dongola Shoes, worth	1.50, at	1.00
Men's Veal Boots,	3.50	2.50	Ladies' Rubbers, worth	.40, at	.25
Men's Calf Boots,	2.75	2.00	Ladies' Buckle Arctics, worth	1.25, at	.75

TREMENDOUS SLAUGHTER OF RUBBER GOODS.

Men's Buckle Arctics,	\$1.00	worth	\$1.50	Miscellaneous Lot of Men's and Boys' Rub-	
Men's Buckle Arctics,	.90	worth	1.25	ber Boots to close out. Men's formerly	
Rubber Inst. Sandals,	.50	worth	.75	retailed at \$2.50, now only	\$1.50
Rubbers, Self-Acting,	.50	worth	.90	Boys', formerly \$2.25, now only	1.00

Come Quick! The Early Bird Catches the Worm.

+ FERRISS & LAPHAM, +

148 East Main St., Decatur.

LOCAL NEWS.

GROCERIES, California fruits, nice apples and table delicacies generally at Hanks & Patterson's store.

JOHN BRYSON, a Hammond grain dealer, reports that new corn is still so wet that dealers at Hammond refuse to receive it.

A Denial.

Constables Weits and Dillehunt deny that they are training for the office of sheriff. Weits states positively that he will not be before the convention.

A Singular Horse Disease.

A new and very peculiar epidemic among horses south of Springfield is puzzling the best horsemen. One farmer near Auburn alone has lost over \$5000 worth of horses, and the aggregate in the township is very large. Mr. Noah D. Mason, a prominent farmer, who had 18 affected at one time, has this to say regarding the disease: "It is manifested by a discharge of matter from the eyes and in others from the ears. Others have a large swelling under their jaws and they lose their appetite, while in still others the hind leg is swollen sometimes as large as a barrel. It must be epidemic, as my horses have not even been out on the road, but kept at home in the lot." All attempts at treating the disease have proven almost futile, as no one has any previous knowledge of the affliction.

To the Public.

The new company which has bought John Hatfield & Son's interest in the Hatfield mills, take pleasure in announcing that they have secured the services as manager for the new firm, of William Bowers, who has been so long and so favorably known to this community, in connection with the milling interests of Decatur. They desire to state that they will spare no pains or expense, either in quality of stock, excellence of machinery or intelligent management, coupled with courteous treatments to obtain and keep a fair share of the trade in this line. Prices will be as low and quality of product as good as any other mill in the state. The highest cash price paid for grain. Soliciting your favors and guaranteeing satisfaction. We are very truly, THE HATFIELD MILLING CO.

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Elected Mayor of Boston.

Boston, Dec. 11.—Municipal elections were held yesterday in Boston, Lowell, Salem, Worcester, Newburyport and Lynn. In Boston, although the total vote for mayor was nearly 8000 less than a year ago, Hart (Republican and Citizen) is elected by a larger majority than any mayor has received for thirteen years, with the exception of that given to O'Brien (Democratic) in 1886. The Republicans will also have a majority in both branches of the city government.

Isaac Burrell is elected street commissioner without opposition. The city government is Republican.

The new Common Council will stand forty-eight Republicans, twenty-five Democrats as against thirty-seven Republicans and thirty-six Democrats last year. License, 28,396; No License, 18,768. The votes for school committee are not yet counted.

"Thou Shalt Not Bear False Witness Against Thy Neighbor."

To speak well of your competitor has always been a good business principle. We hope we may never sink so low as to slander and misrepresent our competitors in the effort to win trade. We don't get our trade that way. We make prices for our own goods. We attend to our own business and advise our competitors to do the same. Owing to cutting prices 40 to 50 per cent, we have sold more goods in the past three weeks than all other shoe dealers in Decatur combined. Of course it makes them mad and they are silly to cry. They forget that Mr. L. L. Ferriss has sold more good goods in this town in the past twenty-five years than any man living. They also forget that to maintain a "cross-roads" fame necessitates the handling (as we do) of the very best and most desirable goods manufactured. We still have \$25,000 worth of goods that must be closed out at once regardless of our competitors. Sorry for them, of course, but we can't always be expected to protect them. See our large advertisement. Respectfully, FERRISS & LAPHAM, 148 East Main St.

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Go to the Spector & Lehman Co. for Feed Cutters, Feed Grinders and Corn Shellers. nov-5-d3no

WOMAN'S INDUSTRIAL AND CHARITABLE UNION.

Office, North Park Street, Second Door from Water.

MRS. M. A. BRADLEY Secretary and Agent

A free directory of labor is now open at the office of the Union. Women wanting any kind of work are invited to register. If specimens of sewing, knitting, darning, button-hole working, glove mending, or embroidery, or any kind of cookery, are left at the Exchange orders will be taken. Good bread and cake bakers are invited to become depositors at the Exchange, and furnish these staple articles on stated days. Fancy articles of any kind received and sold for 10 per cent commission. 9-46

WANTED—To go to Blue Mount, two good girls for general housework. Apply at office. 9-43

Also, in this city a good, strong girl for washing, cooking and general housework. Good wages will be paid. Apply at office. 9-43

WOOD PUMPS, Chain Pumps, Iron Force Pumps, for sale at Spencer & Lehman's nov-5-dawit

Mr. E. A. WILSON, proprietor of the \$80 lot scheme at the state capital, refers to Mr. E. L. Martin, to whom he has sold 22 of his cheap lots. Mr. Martin knows a good thing when he sees it. For full particulars apply to him, or drop a line to E. A. Wilson, Springfield, or call him up, telephone 335. dec-2-dtf

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS can find a choice line of Cards and Booklets, for their classes at J. E. Saxton's Book Store, dec-7-d2w

W. A. COMBS' Restaurant.

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The Silcott Defalcation Investigation Committee.

JUDGE BREWER'S BREWERY DECISION.

New Bills Introduced and Petitions Presented in the Senate—Funeral of Mrs. Lord—The World's Fair Question—Congressional.

The Silcott Investigating Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—There were only three witnesses before the Silcott investigating committee yesterday. The first of these was Representative Gear, of Iowa, who told the committee that he had not given the note signed with his signature which Silcott had taken up at the National Metropolitan Bank.

Representative Taubee, of Kentucky, who had a banking account at the office of the sergeant-at-arms, made a claim before the committee for the money which belonged to him and which he is in danger of losing on account of Silcott's embezzlement.

Frederick Miller, of this city, was the last witness. He had been summoned from New York to tell the committee if he had been with Silcott in that city. Miller denied having been with Silcott in New York, and said that information contained in an anonymous letter to Mr. Leedom to the effect that he and Silcott had purchased tickets at the Grand Central depot for Buffalo was entirely erroneous.

When Miller had retired the committee considered the bill introduced in the House Monday by Representative Payne, of New York, outlining the duties of the sergeant-at-arms, and making him the disbursing officer of the House, but no conclusion was reached when an adjournment was taken until this morning. The committee has finished the work of investigation, and will probably not hear any more witnesses. A partial report will be submitted tomorrow and the committee will ask to be allowed to continue its existence.

Judge Brewer's Brewery Decision.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—It has developed that the matter which has been brought to the Senate committee on the judiciary in connection with the nomination of Judge Brewer to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court is a decision rendered by him about three years ago on the prohibition question. The breweries of Ogden, at Salina; Ziebold & Hazen, at Atchison; and Woodruff, at Lawrence, Kan., had been closed under the prohibition law of the State, and the brewers went into court to have the constitutionality of the law determined. Judge Brewer held that the State could not close up an established business without compensation, and that if these breweries were closed, the value of the plant and business must be made good to the brewers. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States, which unanimously reversed the decision of the Circuit Court, and sustained the validity of the law. The Supreme Court decision was based on previous decisions in what are known as the New Orleans slaughter-house cases. The State of Louisiana, through its Legislature and executive, passed a law confining slaughter houses to a certain territory. The Supreme Court held that the police power of the State included the right to do this even at the expense of the slaughter-house interests.

New Bills in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The following were among the bills introduced in the Senate yesterday:

By Mr. Allen: Appropriating \$10,000 to reimburse the State of Washington for expenses incurred in holding the constitutional convention of July 15, 1889.

By Mr. Platt: Appropriating \$100,000 for a public building at Norwich, Conn.

By Mr. Daniel: Appropriating \$100,000 for the purpose of a site and the erection of a building for a custom-house and post-office at Newport News, Va.

By Mr. Chandler: Providing that if in a Congressional election ten voters in each county (or each voting precinct where the district is one county, or less) make affidavit that they believe the election will be unfair if held by State officers, the United States Circuit Court shall publish the filing of the petition four weeks in advance, and shall take charge of the election. Each candidate or the chairman of each Congressional committee having a candidate may act as commissioner for his county. The commissioners are to take charge of the election and appoint judges and clerks.

By Mr. Manderson: To establish a National pathological laboratory under the supervision of the Surgeon General of the Marine Hospital Service, for the scientific study of contagious, infectious and malarial diseases.

The Funeral of Mrs. Lord.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Lord will probably occur on tomorrow. The interment will likely take place in Rock Creek Cemetery. Mrs. Lord's death will probably not interfere with the official social programme at the Executive Mansion this winter beyond preventing Mrs. Harrison from participating in the festivities to the extent that the wife of the President usually does.

Tally One for New York.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Mr. Evans introduced in the Senate yesterday the bill prepared by the local committee providing for the celebration in New York City of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America.

The World's Fair Question.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Post says there was a good deal of talk about the World's Fair in the lobbies of the up-town hotels last evening. For a long time the action of the New York delegation has been uncertain. It was gener-

ally understood last evening that a course of action has been decided upon by New York, and that the vote of the delegation of that State, if a second choice is necessary, will be cast solidly for this city.

Petitions Presented.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The following petitions were among those presented to the Senate yesterday:

By Mr. Wilson, of Iowa: Of the citizens of Allerton, Ia., praying for the passage of an act prohibiting speculation in raw and manufactured farm products.

By Mr. Gibson: For the passage of a National law securing a free ballot and honest count in all elections of Representatives in Congress.

The Dolphin Sails.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Navy Department has been informed that the United States steamer Dolphin sailed from New York yesterday for Haiti.

The Petrel in Commission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The United States steamer Petrel was yesterday put in commission. She is now at the Norfolk Navy-yard.

FIFTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Mr. Chandler introduced a bill to amend the laws relative to the elective franchise.

Mr. Turpie called up his resolution of yesterday in relation to trust penalties, and addressed the Senate at considerable length on this subject.

Mr. Evans introduced a bill to provide for the celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America, by a World's Fair to be held at New York, and asked that it be on the table for reference to the proper committee when appointed.

At 2 p. m. the Senate went into secret session, and at 4 p. m. adjourned until tomorrow.

OLIVER JOHNSON.

Death Removes the Last of the Great Anti-Slavery Abolitionists.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 11.—Oliver Johnson, the old-time Abolitionist, died at 2:40 p. m. yesterday. He had been ailing for some time. He was nearly eighty years old.

With Johnson's death there departs from the world the last of the greatest figures connected with the emancipation of mankind. In early life he was a journeyman printer. In 1831 he started the Christian Soldier, in which he vigorously denounced slavery. He became associated with William Lloyd Garrison, and with him, organized the New England Anti-Slavery Society in 1832. This society led to the formation of the American Anti-Slavery Society, with its affiliating auxiliaries, causing a public agitation which ceased only with the abolition of slavery. Mr. Johnson lectured frequently on the subject of slavery, and traveled throughout the Eastern States agitating abolition. He was mobbed once in Pennsylvania for lecturing on this subject, and narrowly escaped being tarred and feathered. He published papers at different points in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and other States, in which he advocated abolition.

In 1841 Mr. Johnson was appointed assistant editor of the New York Tribune. He was also managing editor of the New York Independent about 1857, and after Horace Greeley's death was managing editor of the Christian Union for three years under the late Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. In 1890 he published a book on "William Lloyd Garrison and His Times," and up to a few months ago was connected with the New York Evening Post.

Mr. Johnson was twice married and leaves a widow and daughter.

Tried to Bulldoze Their Way In.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 11.—Four American schooners sailed into this harbor Monday, disregarding the signal of a pilot boat. They refused a demand to pay pilotage, but two of them, the Alice M. Strong and the Agnes, afterwards paid under protest. The pilot commissioners held court yesterday. The American fishermen, through the American Consul, put in the plea that the pilot boat did not hail them orally. The commissioners held that the law required only flag or flash-signal. The other two schooners, the Senator Morgan and the Magnolia, thereupon paid the regular fee.

Shot and Instantly Killed.

CLEVELAND, Neb., Dec. 11.—Some unknown person or persons shot and instantly killed C. G. Pulsifer, a grain dealer, shortly before seven o'clock last evening, while he was on his way from his office to his residence, about a half-mile out of town. There is no clue to the assassin whose purpose is supposed to have been robbery.

Iron Men in Council.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 11.—Representative iron and steel manufacturers from nearly all of the prominent mills in the United States are assembling in this city for the purpose of holding a convention to-day. The special object of the meeting is not known, beyond the fact that the present scale of prices is to be revised and probably advanced.

The Remains of Colonel Rathbone.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 10.—A Lima special says: The special train bearing the remains of Colonel J. H. Rathbone, founder of the order of Knights of Pythias, with its escort, to Utica, N. Y., leaves Lima at midnight. Stops will be made at Cleveland, Buffalo and Syracuse to permit members of the order to pay their respects to the dead.

A Picturesque Purchase.

SANDWICH, Mass., Dec. 11.—It is reported that Ex-President Cleveland and Joseph Jefferson have bought the islands in Wakely Lake, near here, a very picturesque spot and one noted for good fishing. It is said that they will put up a club house on the most central of the islands.

Bidgood Arrested.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Walter Bidgood, the cashier for the goat land-swindling firm of Fredericksen & Co., was arrested yesterday on an indictment returned by the grand jury against him and Fredericksen charged with conspiracy.

THE CRONIN MURDER.

Mr. Forrest Continues His Great Speech for the Defense.

THE TESTIMONY ROUGHLY HANDLED.

The Speaker Treads Dangerously Near the Dead-Line of Untruth, and Narrowly Escapes a Rebuke—To Conclude To-day.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Mr. Forrest resumed his address to the jury in the Cronin trial this morning. He began by showing the jury the map of the streets of Lake View, and showing that the natural and easiest route for a driver of a wagon wishing to go from the Carlson cottage to the catch-basin where the body was found, would be to go over Ashland avenue and Belmont avenue, and then go east. "Therefore," said the attorney, "there was a doubt that the wagon seen coming down Fullerton avenue was at or came from the Carlson cottage." The next question was considered, and Mr. Forrest called attention to the evidence of how mental predisposition may and often does influence a witness and testimony. After referring to the expert testimony in regard to the blood, Mr. Forrest went on to claim that the State had failed to prove that there was any human blood at all in the Carlson cottage. Of the many links in the chain of evidence binding the suspects so closely to the murder of Dr. Cronin, it is doubtful if there is one more strong, if so strong as the one that fixes the Carlson cottage as the scene of the doctor's slaughter, and yet it was not too strong for Mr. Forrest's attack. Other points of evidence, equally strong, were similarly assailed, and he twisted and constructed the evidence until Mr. Ingham sprang to his feet in protest. "Mr. Forrest, unless you confine yourself to the truth you will meet with a rebuke that falsehood should meet with," he cried.

Mr. Forrest excused himself and proceeded, but again and again came dangerously near getting the rebuke. Finally Mr. Forrest, with a loud voice, cried: "Since the coroner's jury there has not been a circumstance introduced in this case by the State not fabricated." In other words, the State's Attorney and his assistants had been engaged, not only in formulating a huge mass of perjury, but a huge conspiracy to strangle the five prisoners on trial. The State's Attorney made no reply to the accusation. On the testimony given by Mertes and Mrs. Hoertel, Mr. Forrest dwelt for some time. He went over and over again the ground covered yesterday, and sought to ridicule their testimony.

As to O'Sullivan's alibi the speaker had to say that it must be true because the witnesses in testifying to it had differed in the matter of details. On the main point—that O'Sullivan was in the house on the night of May 4—they all agreed. In details they differed. But Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, according to great theologians, differed as to details but agreed on the main point. Therefore O'Sullivan's alibi was well founded. Coughlin's alibi in the speaker's mind, was equally substantial. But even if it were not it didn't matter. The burden of proof lay on the State, and unless the State proved that Coughlin was at the cottage—overwhelmingly proved it—it could not be for an instant supposed that he was there the evidence of Mertes and Niceman being unworthy of consideration.

Coughlin's alibi satisfactorily established in the mind of the attorney, the knives were taken up. "O yes," he exclaimed, "these knives must have been Dr. Cronin's. Dan Coughlin would have been so likely to keep them. But where was Coughlin's knife? he probably had one? Where was it? Why, he probably threw it away when he threw away the key for the cottage."

"The attorney for the State said that the chance of Coughlin having two knives identical with those of Dr. Cronin," continued Mr. Forrest, "was one in a million. That being so the chance of Dr. Cronin having knives identical to those of Coughlin's was one in two millions. T. T. Conklin said the knives were Cronin's, but Conklin is a liar and perjurer as you must all know."

Adjourned until tomorrow when Mr. Forrest will finish.

As the prisoners left the court-room Coughlin's little daughter, probably prompted by her mother, cried: "Papa, Papa." If the suspect heard it he gave no sign. This child's cry is now a regular thing. Were it a new idea it might be effective, but the trick's age is considered by the State to be an impregnable armor about the jury.

Whisky's Work.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 11.—At Carrollton, N. Y., last night 141 Halfway, an Indian, aged twenty-seven, with his wife and five other Indians—three women and two men after drinking three bottles of whisky and a keg of beer, started to their home, on the outskirts of town. On the way Halfway was struck by an engine on the Rochester & Pittsburgh railway. He was dragged a distance of three hundred feet and ground to atoms. His wife fell into a ditch at the side of the track and was nearly drowned. She was pulled from the water by an Indian passing by. The funeral of Halfway took place according to the Indian rites.

A Ranch-Owner Shot by His Tenants. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Robert Kennedy, owner of a ranch near Stockton, was fatally shot yesterday by Mrs. Elma Polsky and her fifteen-year-old son, who leased the place from him. There was a dispute about rent, and Mrs. Polsky shot Kennedy in the groin and fired the other barrels of the revolver without effect. She then handed the weapon to the boy, telling him to reload it and finish Kennedy. The lad reloaded the revolver and shot Kennedy in the ear. The wounded man can not recover.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY, S. S.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes an oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of Dec., A. D. '86.

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TWELVE PERSONS CRUSHED TO DEATH

And Many More Injured in a Frantic Rush from Supposed Danger—Clubbed to Death by the Police—Mangled Remains.

Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 11.—A special fire alarm, which was sounded last night at 10:30 o'clock, it was in Johnstown, Pa., in the Opera House, and when the alarm was sounded the whole audience rushed for the stairway and a panic ensued, which was the result of a false alarm. Twelve persons were killed.

The following names of the dead are given: Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns, Mrs. J. E. Burns.

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TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

The stolen will of Thos. H. Harrison, of Minneapolis, disposing of property valued at a million dollars, was found in a tin box under the sidewalk by a fireman Monday.

The district attorney of the District of Columbia has been officially asked to proceed with an indictment against "Caveau Ed." Ward, who is charged with the forgery of a check for \$100,000, for the purpose of obtaining money under false pretenses and for embezzlement.

Increasing ocean steamers report tempestuous voyages. The Eux, from Bremen via Southampton for New York, was swept by a huge wave and two cabin passengers, Mr. Leopold Kutsche and Mr. C. Walter, were thrown against the deck fixtures and seriously injured.

Thomas Sullivan, for six years book keeper for J. E. Ball & Co., dry-goods merchant of Baltimore, is missing, and the firm asserts that Sullivan has ruined them, but can not tell at the present time how much he has stolen, as he destroyed the books of his forged checks.

President Harrison and all the members of his party except Assistant Postmaster General Jackson and Mrs. Jackson left the Chicago Auditorium at ten o'clock Monday night just after hearing Miss Patton sing "Home Sweet Home" and start for the 2000 trip to the National capital.

The death in regard to the lands of the Canadian Coal Company, which were to have been sold to an English syndicate, is said to be off. The syndicate offered \$500,000, but the company's price was \$1,000,000. The Englishman had an option on the plant of the company and had paid \$500,000.

The Canadian mine at Crystal Falls, Mich., was closed out Monday under peculiar circumstances. The miners ran a shaft under the river and when a blast was exploded the river burst through and killed the men. The men barely escaped with their lives. The value of the property destroyed will be great.

A serious shooting occurred on Monday morning in which Everett Fitzpatrick was fatally shot by a neighbor, James Fitzpatrick, near Atwood, Ill. The former received a bullet in the breast. David Osborn was also shot in the arm by Fitzpatrick. The quarrel was the result of an old feud and further trouble is anticipated.

Major M. Langhlin, the Standing Rock Indian agent, left the agency with a detachment of Sioux yesterday to visit Washington and confer with the President, the Secretary of the Interior, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Sioux Commission with reference to changes in the original bill for the opening of the reservation.

A meeting of the Single Tax Club of Brooklyn, Monday night, called to discuss a resolution, a letter from E. J. Prendergast was read, in which he says: "Of the best result of my hearty sympathy is in the movement. I hope New York will soon be with a just and useful labor reform law not sister states already in the lead."

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WEDNESDAY EVE., DEC. 11, 1893.

Another Straw.

At the municipal election in Boston yesterday the Republicans elected a majority in both branches of the council, and carried the mayor by a larger majority than any mayor has had in that city for a dozen years, with only a single exception. It does not seem that Democracy is having any considerable boom in Boston at this time.

Jeff Davis' Obsequies.

The funeral of Jefferson Davis is taking place at New Orleans this afternoon. There are present organizations or deputations from every Southern state, and the military display is very fine indeed. The procession numbers more than 5,000 men. The religious services were held at the porch of the city hall, at 11:30 o'clock, and included a short address by Bishop Gallagher. Mrs. Davis, after spending a few days at Beauvoir, will accompany her step-daughter to Colorado.

The Kansas Resubmissionists.

The *Globe-Democrat*, with commendable enterprise, has interviewed the Kansas members of both branches of congress on the question which is agitating Kansas just now—the question of resubmitting to the people the question of prohibition. Both the senators agree that there is no necessity for resubmitting the question—no demand for it. And the members of the lower house of congress talk pretty much the same way. They agree that the desire to resubmit the question is confined to a few localities, and that it is mostly among the Democrats. Senator Ingalls puts the whole thing in a nutshell when he says: "The Republicans of Kansas have not been in the habit of submitting to the dictation of their political enemies, and they will not do so now. They are strong enough, courageous and intelligent enough to deal with all questions that arise without going into partnership with the Democracy. They are hospitable to new ideas, and have always tolerated individual judgment. If there are complaints they will be heard. If there are differences of opinion they will be adjusted. The Democrats hope to profit by our dissensions and capture the legislature next year. They will be disappointed. There is no panic, and there will be no stampede."

JAMES MATHIAS, of Morton, on the T. H. & P. road, has bought 25,000 bushels of corn of some of the German farmers south of Trenton, to be put on the cars there for 24c per bushel.

Globe-Democrat: If Mr. Cleveland expects to retain the favor of the South for the Presidential nomination of 1892, it will be necessary for him to write a letter extolling the last foremost leader of his party in that section of the country.

Writing of the result of the late election in Iowa, Mrs. J. Ellen Foster says: "The Republican party is still the dominant party in Iowa. It only lost the governor from its state ticket. It will return to William B. Allison to the United States Senate, and in 1892, under the banner of 'Protection to American Industries and Protection to American Homes,' it will give its electoral vote to the nominees of the Republican party."

OLIVER JOHNSON, the last of the twelve anti-slavery agitators who met in Boston on January 6, 1832, and began their war for immediate and unconditional emancipation, died yesterday afternoon at his home in Brooklyn, in his 81st year. He was the editor of the *Standard*, the anti-slavery organ, in 1840, and was the editor of the *New York Tribune* in 1844. He was managing editor of the *New York Independent* until 1870, and was afterwards managing editor of the *Christian Union*. He was one of the most notable men of his time.

Book agents sometimes strike a good thing, as, for instance, the 25-year-old young lady in Danbury, Conn., who called on a quarter-millionaire of the impressive age of 82, who had lost his wife and hungered for another. He had caused it to be announced that he was willing to give half of his fortune to the young and pretty spinster who was willing to marry him. While in this frame of mind he was visited by the pretty book agent, but he refused to listen to any talk about books, and insisted on talking only of marriage. And the upshot of it all was that he induced her to listen to his suit and shortly afterwards married her. So the book agent made a good strike after all. Now let the craft pick up courage.

Complimentary to the Captain.

The special correspondent of the *Inter-Ocean* at Washington writes as follows: "Mr. Rowell, who is made chairman of the election committee, was the senior member of the last House of the Republicans. He is an able leader, a man of much experience in election law and election cases, of untiring energy and industry, and splendid courage. He will make a fair and searching inquiry into the charges of fraud from the South, and having determined the facts, will be able to defend his position on the floor. The Democrats will not venture to question his political integrity. The other Republican members on the committee are strong men."

The Montana Senatorships.

From Montana come reports of propositions to compromise their legislative muddle by "splitting the difference," so to speak—agreeing to divide the two United States senators between the two political parties, giving one to the Republicans and one to the Democrats. Of course this is a question that interests only the people of Montana, and consequently it may be pertinently asked what outsiders have to do with the question. But people will talk, you know, whether they have any right to put in their oar or not; and it is to be hoped that the Republicans of the Mountain state will not lend themselves to any such scheme. The state either elected a Republican legislature or a Democratic legislature, and whichever party has an honest majority is fairly entitled to both senators. The attempt to divide the senators looks very much like an attempt of one party or the other to get one more senator than it is entitled to. The whole difficulty seems to hinge upon the election in a single precinct. If one interpretation of the law is correct, and it is carried out that way, it will give the control of the House of Representatives to the Republicans; if the opposite theory is carried out, it will give the Democrats control of that body. It is not possible for both theories to be right, and the one which compromises the matter by accepting one senator that time will show it is not entitled to, will lose more in the long run than a single senator is worth. It does not pay to practice sharp games, even in politics. There is an innate sense of right in the American people which always rebels against the party which takes advantage of a wrong for political gain. It is best to settle the question of right first, and if the Democrats are in the right, they ought to have both senators. If they are in the wrong, they ought not to have either of them.

As a mouse and cattle lotion Salvation Oil has proved itself an infallible remedy. It has received the hearty endorsement of many old and well-known horsemen. Price 25 cents a bottle.

Mother, do not let your darlings suffer with the whooping cough while you have a remedy so near at hand. Use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and the little sufferer will soon find relief. Price 25 cents.

The Game Law.

The law permitting the killing of prairie chickens expired Tuesday. Game can be killed between the following dates:

Turkey—From September 1 to January 25.
Ducks and water fowl—From September 15 to April 15.
Chickens—From September 15 to November 1.
Quail and pheasant—From October 1 to December 1.
Squirrels—From June 1 to December 1.

Night shooting is forbidden from sunset to sunrise.
Night shooting, beating, sink box, and other device shooting, or shooting from artificial ambush, is against the law, as it tends to destroy the sport and drives the birds from their feeding places.

The penalty for killing chickens, pheasants and quail contrary to law is \$20 to \$40 for each and every bird. The penalty for ducks and other water fowl is from \$5 to \$25. Each bird found in the possession of any one counts as a separate offense.

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Secretary Decatur Grain Co.:

WHEAT—78½ Dec; 79¼ Jan; 83¼ May
Corn—32½ Dec; 31¼ Jan; 33½ May
OATS—20½ Dec; 21 Jan; 22½ May.
PORE—Jan. 20.35; Feb. 20.45; May, 20.75.

LARD—\$5.93 Jan; \$5.97 Feb; \$6.12 May.
RIBS—\$4.77 Jan; \$4.95 Feb; \$5.02 May.

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 35,000; market steady.
Cattle, 15,000; market steady.
Car Lots—Wheat; Winter, 20; Spring, 20; Corn, 214; Oats, 1½.

The Old Reliable Peter Sauttler and Moline Wagons for sale by Spencer & Lehman. nov-6&wt

Chicago Cheap Store

STOCK OF GOODS

FOR + SALE!

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of George F. Kessler, deceased, will, for the next ten days, under the order of the county court, receive open written bids for the stock of goods belonging to said estate, and now stored in the business house on the south side of the Park, occupied by said Kessler in his lifetime. Persons making bids for the same should state highest amount that they are willing to pay. If sold within ten days immediate possession will be given, on approval of sale by the court. Terms of sale will be given upon application to the undersigned.

The undersigned reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and the right to sell said stock during said ten days upon order of the court.

ALBERT BARNES,

10-dio Administrator.

DETERMINED

To Close Out our Stock of CLOAKS!

We have to-day reduced our Entire Stock of Jackets, Wraps and Newmarkets, and all our Children's and Misses' Cloaks to HALF PRICE.

The most of the stock is New and Desirable, and at the Half Price Reduction you can save from Five to Ten Dollars on a Good Cloak.

Our \$16 Genuine Seal Plush Sacque is equal to any \$20 one in the city.

About a dozen pieces of Heavy Colored Cloaking and all-wool Black Beaver we will close out at HALF PRICE.

F. L. HAYS & Co.

CITY BOOK STORE,

Ready for the Holidays.

The display Tables are up and covered with the Handsomest Goods. Remember we buy for CASH, get the CASH DISCOUNT, and so can buy and sell Cheap.

To enumerate the multitude of articles in such a stock is impossible. COME AND SEE and judge for yourselves. A cordial welcome to those who prefer to first see, then decide what to buy. DO NOT WAIT. THE HOLIDAYS ARE AT HAND. SO IS THE USUAL RUSH AND CROWD.

J. H. BEVANS,

122 Merchant Street.

Dec 3-d&wt

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X-MAS PRESENTS!

Having always carried the Largest stock of Furniture in the city we have made it still larger by adding \$5,000 worth of the following goods for THE HOLIDAY TRADE ALONE.

Rockers in Plush, Leather and Cane Seats, from \$1.00 to \$30.

Ladies Writing Desks, \$7 to \$40.

Sideboards, \$10 to \$125.

Turkish Couches, \$11 to \$40.

Parlor Suits, \$20 to \$150.

Fancy Tables, Hall Trees, Etc., Etc.

MAKE YOUR SELECTION WHILE THE STOCK IS COMPLETE.

HARRY FISK,

1 and 2 Court House Block.

FREEMAN BROS.,

Cheapest and Best Shoe Store in Decatur.

We do not expect to leave town, but will remain and carry on business as heretofore. If our goods rip we sew them. If they do not fit you can exchange. If they do not suit you get your money back. We do not buy damaged goods, nor auction goods, but buy direct from the Manufacturers, and will sell the same qualities CHEAPER THAN CAN BE BOUGHT AT OTHER STORES. We do not have any lottery. We do not give groceries to one customer and let the other customers pay for them. We treat all our customers alike and give them value received for their money. WE HAVE THE EXCLUSIVE SALE OF ANY GOODS THAT WE WANT.

Call and see us and be convinced, at

114 MERCHANT STREET.

We Keep Open Every Week Day Evening.

